

TAKE UP ENGLISH CUSTOM

Serving of Afternoon Tea Has Become General With American Hostesses—Repeat Made Simple.

The custom of serving tea has become almost as general with Americans nowadays as with their English relatives. The difference in large cities especially is that tea hour is frequently spent at fashionable tea rooms or hotel restaurants. The various occupations or pastimes which attract women to the shopping districts or the theaters in the same neighborhood incline women to "drop in" for light refreshment near where they chance to be. At the large hotels there is likely to be a table set with tempting confections, spun sugar baskets and flowers that delight the eye, while the pastries are displayed.

In the home the matter of serving tea for the family group or the casual caller is a simple hospitality easy to adopt. With a tea kettle and an alcohol lamp the beverage may be brewed in a few moments. Lemon, sliced, and loaf sugar are the general accompaniments, and only wafers that may be bought need be added. It is considered better form nowadays not to serve hearty or "mussy" dainties for callers wearing gloves.

The daintiness of appointments is essential. A large mahogany or wicker tray, in lieu of a silver one, holds the service, which is brought into the room at the time of serving. Small stands with two or three shelves for holding as many plates of crackers or bonbons are a convenience for serving. It is also good form to use small linen or damask napkins smaller than are used for luncheon or breakfast. These may be hemstitched or scalloped and are in the best style when ornamented with a small embroidered initial.

WORN UNDER THIN BLOUSES

Dainty Accessory Made on the Lines of the Old-Fashioned Corset Cover, No Longer in Favor.

There are a number of dress accessories which a clever woman can put together with her own fingers which will smarten a wardrobe wonderfully—things which are very costly if bought in the store. Among these are the fancy under waists made on the lines of the old-fashioned, tight-fitting corset cover. These under waists are very necessary with thin blouses, and not only must they be very decorative, but a support as well, as flimsy net and chiffon blouses demand something to give line to the figure.

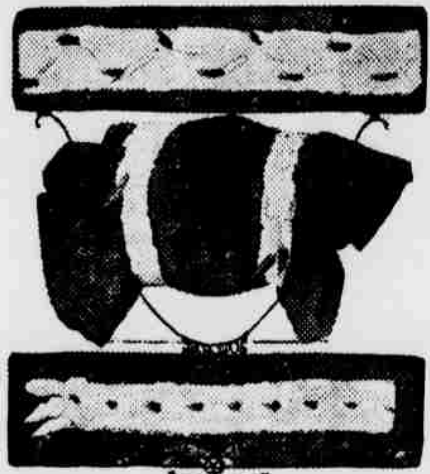
These smart waists are made of heavy, coarse net, and bones are set in a casing at the seams. They reach just to the waist line. Although the ready-made ones come without sleeves, one may add the little sleeve cap which is so useful in disguising the presence of the shield.

Irish lace is a favored trimming to

outline of the neck, and is set in medallions across the shoulders and bust. They may be made of heavy butchers' linen trimmed with cluny or torchon lace. Others may be embroidered in eyelet design. They should fasten in front.

MUFFS OF VELVET AND OTHER SOFT STUFFS POPULAR

THERE are so many muffs of other things than fur that one might almost venture on the assertion that fabric muffs outnumber fur muffs. These muffs of velvet and brocades, plushes and chiffons are even more attractive than all-fur muffs. They are soft, mod-



erately large and trimmed with fur. A bouquet of flowers pinned to the muff is worn quite as often as at the cor-sage.

Bands of fur as a trimming are almost never omitted from muffs made of fabric. As in millinery, the fur is quite often an imitation of the skin for which it is called, but the fabric muff, being a short-lived affair as compared with one of fur, does not need to be so durable, and hence the imitation furs serve the purpose of trimming very well.

A muff of black velvet shown here is trimmed with bands of imitation ermine. Muff beds of down or wool batting are to be had, some of them ready-lined with soft satin, to which the velvet or other fabric is to be sewed. If a down bed is used it is advisable to first cover it with a thin interlining, to keep the down from working out.

The fabric is draped on the bed in a number of ways. In the muff illustrated the velvet is laid in a few irregular plaits, with wide over-hanging ruffles at the end lined with soft satin. It is trimmed with a band of white fur at each end and ermine tails finish the bands.

Two bands are shown, such as are used for trimming dresses, muffs and hats. Such a furor for fur trimmings has developed that it is predicted it will appear in spring and perhaps summer styles.

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MAKES NOVEL TRUMP MARKER

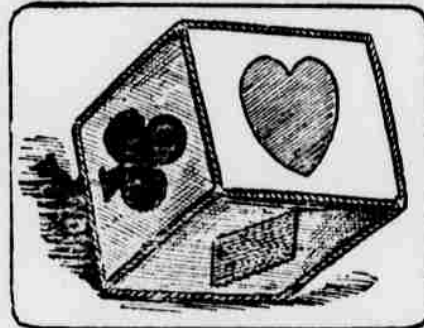
Dainty Present for Those of One's Friends Who Approve of Card Playing.

Quite a little novelty in the way of a trump marker may be seen in the accompanying sketch, and it can be made with the aid of any small square cardboard box. The box is filled with sand to give weight, and the exterior is then neatly covered with pale blue silk on which hearts, clubs, diamonds and spades have been embroidered, so that one of these emblems appears on each side of the box. The edges of the box are finished off with a fine dark blue silk cord.

When complete, the marker should somewhat resemble a large dice, with, of course, hearts, spades, etc., upon it instead of numbers.

To use the marker, it merely has to be placed upon the table in full view of all the players, and to mark the suit that may happen to be trumps, that side of the box representing the trump card uppermost.

A little novelty of this kind looks pretty, and would be sure to prove an



acceptable little gift. When not doing duty as a trump marker it would make a quaint little paper weight for the writing table.

Doxology Didn't Go.

At one time E. T. Smith, lessee of the Surrey (Eng.) Gardens, was unable to get a music license for the hall in the gardens. The bishop of London asked him to lend the hall for a Sunday prayer meeting. Ever ready to curry favor with the clergy at a time when bigotry was strong against all sorts of amusements, Smith consented. It was a huge concourse. Every nook and corner of the hall was crowded, the meeting was a great success and came to its end, when up spoke the bishop of London, who was in the chair. "Dear brethren," said his lordship, "we will now conclude the afternoon's good work by singing the doxology." "You can't," protested a voice (Smith's) from the back. "I haven't got a music license—it's against the law—the magistrates won't let me."

No Limit on Housework.

A lot of housewives don't seem to be deriving much benefit from the new law limiting a woman's working time to ten hours a day.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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